

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1112

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Tracy Coates of  
Johnson City.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of  
the passing of Tracy Coates of Johnson City; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coates was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional  
who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous  
capacities; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Virginia, Tracy Coates held a professional  
engineering license in both Virginia and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coates served with acumen and alacrity as a chemical engineer at  
Siemens before he transferred to Nuclear Fuel Services and became a section manager; he  
held this position for eighteen years until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, in more recent years, Mr. Coates worked as a project manager at M.C.  
Dean in Johnson City; and

WHEREAS, Tracy Coates was a strong leader at North Johnson City Baptist Church,  
where he served faithfully; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coates was an avid artistic photographer; he was also a master  
violinist, sharing his talents to enrich the lives of many; and

WHEREAS, Tracy Coates was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored  
to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coates is survived by his wife, JoAnne; his mother-in-law, Hazel Huff;  
his two children, Jane Burnette (Ron) and Joseph Coates (Daphne); and his five grandchildren,  
Bedford, Franklin, Talmadge, Isabelle, and Hudson; and

WHEREAS, Tracy Coates leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Tracy Coates, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Coates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.